

# The Hongkong Telegraph.

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MONDAY, JANUARY 26, 1891.

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## Banks.

### RULES OF THE HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE BUSINESS of the above BANK will be conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, on their premises in Hongkong. Business Hours on WEEK-DAYS, 10 a.m. to 1; SATURDAYS, 10 to 1. SUMS LESS THAN \$1, or MORE THAN \$250 at one time will not be received. No Depositor may deposit more than \$4,000 in any one year.

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FOR THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

F. DE BOVIS,  
Acting Chief Manager.  
Hongkong, 1st January, 1891. [9]

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E. W. RUTTER,  
Manager. [10]

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL ..... £8,168,062.50  
RESERVE FUND ..... 5,482,127.00  
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THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT  
AND AGENCY COMPANY, LIMITED.

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PAID UP CAPITAL ..... 2,500,000.  
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Hon. J. J. KESWICK, Chairman;

Hon. C. P. CHATER, Managing Director;

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pany's Office, No. 1, Queen's Road Central.

A. SHELTON HOOPER,  
Secretary.

Victoria Buildings,  
Hongkong, 1st May, 1890. [12]

## Intimations.

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Hongkong, 9th January, 1891. ROBERT LANG & CO. [136]

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This Meeting has been called in consequence of the following written requisition which is signed by ten resident Members of the Club.

Hongkong, 31st December, 1890.

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(Here follows the Rule as above set out, and the names of the ten resident members).

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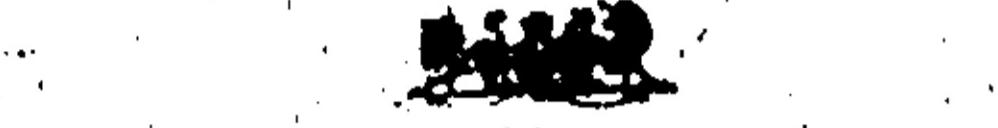
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Nov. 22 & 24, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, Hongkong, 26th January, 1891.

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A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED,

Hongkong, China, and Manila.

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## The Hongkong Telegraph.

HONGKONG, MONDAY, JANUARY 26, 1891.

The object of the extraordinary general meeting of the Members of the Hongkong Jockey Club, to be held at the City Hall to-morrow afternoon, has been the medium of considerable discussion, especially at the Race-course during training operations and in general sporting circles, during the past few weeks, and is likely enough to lead to some plain speaking when Greek meets Greek in the discussion forum of the Chamber of Commerce. From all we can gather, a grave doubt seems to exist as to the scope and actual meaning of the proposed new rule, while the motives of the persons who are supposed to be its originators, as well as those whose names figure on the requisition to the Stewards are roundly asserted to be the outcome of personal malice and ill-will, and quite the reverse of what pretends to be a disinterested desire to improve the character of racing in the colony, and at the same time introduce a new Social Purity element into the constitution of the Hongkong Jockey Club. But reformers of every class, in politics as in all other subjects of common interest, no matter how pure their aspirations nor how free from adulteration their intentions, are almost invariably subjected to accusations and insinuations of discreditable motives, and therefore these ten enthusiastic and presumably spotless sportsmen, whose morality and integrity both as sportsmen and citizens doubtless show a clean record, should not be condemned without a fair hearing, and on the mere gossip of the town. Every man is entitled to his character, whatever it may be worth, until by clear and undisputed evidence it has been proved to be worthless, and although it must be

admitted that a very grave doubt surrounds the bona fides of these ten members of the Jockey Club who have thought fit to form themselves into a Society for the Regeneration of Racing in Hongkong, yet as a matter of fair-play they are entitled to an opportunity of justifying themselves from suspicions of conduct unworthy alike of sportsmen and gentlemen. As already suggested the signatories of this requisition should be men of unsullied reputation, whose records are in every respect free from flaw or blemish, they should also be influential and active supporters of and participants in racing, and members of long standing in the Jockey Club. Assuming they are the favored possessors of all these necessary attributes—for reformers to have any real weight must strictly practice the doctrines they assume the right to preach *pro bono publico*—, the next thing is to justify the special action taken, to show its necessity and that the remedy advocated is not merely sufficient in itself to provide for an alleged shortcoming but is legally warranted, and a customary rule in similar institutions. Now, let us carefully consider the merits of this suggested extension of the jurisdiction of the Stewards of the Jockey Club over the private and individual conduct of members apart from matters connected with racing; it may not be out of place at the same time to briefly investigate the status (so far as the Jockey Club is concerned) and public personal records of the ten signatories, and the circumstances connected with bringing the requisition before the public.

It would be the merest affectation to pretend that the source of this movement is not directly attributable to motives of a purely personal character; but the real question to be decided is the justification and the necessity for an action that has been generally characterised as a cowardly and contemptible attack on a well-known member of the Jockey Club, who at present happens, through no act of his own, to be helpless and unable to defend himself. A few days after the decision of what is popularly known as the Conspiracy Case, a Mr. G. C. Master, a solicitor in this colony, distinguished himself by commencing an active canvass amongst the members of the Jockey Club with the avowed object of inducing the Stewards to do something or other, it is not very clear what course was contemplated, to assail the position and rights of Mr. Fraser-Smith—the leading victim in the most scandalous miscarriage of justice ever recorded in local criminal annals—as a member of the Club. It is but fair to Mr. Master to mention that it was generally believed, and the belief was generally expressed, that he was the mere tool and jackal of certain clique who lacked the courage to do their own dirty work; but in this opinion we cannot concur, as the clique referred to, whatever their personal views or convictions might be on the subject in dispute, have always borne the reputation of being sportsmen and gentlemen, and it would be manifestly a great injustice to deprive them of their reputations or mere heresy. With regard to Mr. Master, is it not evident that by this action he has forfeited all right to be enrolled in the brotherhood of sportsmen, and may we not go further and include his claim to the "good old name of gentleman"? And we are told that this was the opinion very plainly expressed to him in the course of his canvass in the presumably self-appointed role of special protector of the general morality of the Hongkong Jockey Club. But there was another all-sufficient reason why in this particular instance Mr. G. C. Master should have carefully remained in the background. It is notorious that for the extraordinary conduct of the Crown Solicitor, on whose official advice the Acting Captain Superintendent of Police prosecuted the man Minninet, and who directed the procedure which induced Major-General Gordon to undertake a responsibility which the Jury and Judge ignored and the Government dishonorably repudiated—it will be remembered that in the witness box in the course of the trial, the General frankly stated that he induced Mr. Ward, who was very unwilling to sign the information against Minninet, by promising that the Police would be the actual prosecutors and would undertake all responsibility—the Conspiracy muddle would never have been heard of. The Crown Solicitor advised the prosecution, directed the manner in which the information was to be prepared, and then left the entire control of the case to the inexperienced hands of an ordinary police officer, Mr. Fraser-Smith, in the editorial that appeared in this journal, and which compelled the man Minninet to take some action to clear himself, accused the Crown Solicitor of having grossly neglected his duty, and as that charge has neither been met nor refuted, it must be assumed that it was substantially true. And Mr. G. C. Master is the business partner of the

Crown Solicitor. The result of the now Jockey Club reformer's personal whip does not appear to have met with the success anticipated; a very strong feeling prevailed throughout the colony that innocent men had been victimised by the odd-man-majority of four jurors, whose collective intellects and acumen would not weigh down the scale against the same number of emasculated mosquitoes, and the ideas of duty enforced by the Judge; an influentially supported petition to the Executive was receiving general support, and consequently Mr. Master's ill-timed attempt to outrage a manly and essentially English article of faith by kicking a man when he was down, fell flat, and invoked a good deal of very strong language very heartily expressed. Here is the result of the weary pilgrimage of the Crown Solicitor's most excellent partner:—

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G. C. C. MASTER,

C. S. TAYLOR,

HERCULES J. SCOTT,

H. P. WADMAN,

HECTOR MACLEAN,

GARSHOM SWARTZ,

C. S. PLATT,

D. R. SASOON,

DAVID McCULLOCH,

H. L. DALRYMPLE.

The first thing to strike the intelligent observer in the above high-class literary production will probably be the ridiculous form both of the requisition and the proposed rule; the second, the barebones state of the camp suggested by the signatures of the Immortal Ten. Although the truth has not been disguised by Mr. Master and his followers that Mr. Fraser-Smith is the member particularly aimed at by these clumsy marksmen of the awkward squad, it will be noted that nothing definite in this direction has been set out in the requisition, and it may be fairly doubted whether the chief of this precious confederation thought fit to explain to his worthy allies that the passing of fifty rules of this sort could not legally affect the rights and status of their intended victim. Perhaps he was not aware that his absurd regulation, even if carried at one meeting and confirmed at another, could not be made to have retrospective effect. His ignorance on other matters would lead one to believe that this conjecture is probably well founded. With regard to the signatories, it is really amusing to discover that only one out of the entire ten has ever in any shape or form been an active supporter of racing in Hongkong. That one is Mr. David McCulloch, who has been more or less actively connected with the sport as an owner of race-ponies for nearly twenty years; and that is about all we can say for him. Mr. H. C. MacLean has on one or two occasions owned a "subscription griffin"; while the other persons, so far as the Hongkong Jockey Club and racing interests are concerned, are absolute nonentities, and we reserve to ourselves the right of an opinion as to how many of them would pass scathless through a close scrutiny of the character they propose for adoption as a standing rule. In what is practically a public association, founded solely to control racing in the colony, we shall be prepared to deal with Mr. C. S. Taylor and Mr. H. L. Dalrymple after they have divulged the platform on which their newly-born tenderness for the moral welfare of the Jockey Club is based; what status Messrs. H. P. Wadman, H. G. Scott, G. Swartz, C. S. Platt, D. R. Sasoon, and G. C. C. Master may have in the racing world we have yet to learn—Mr. Master is but a very third-rate novice in race-riding—the others are "strangers yet."

The rules and regulations of the Hongkong Jockey Club were drafted by Mr. J. Francis, Q. C., and—adopted after careful revision at a meeting specially held for that purpose. They are in some respects loosely worded, but as a whole adequately provide for the effective government of an association whose sole raison d'être is to regulate racing matters in Hongkong. It has never been pretended that the Jockey Club possessed any other functions, and the powers given to the Stewards by Rules 20 and 21 are amply sufficient for all purposes of an institution in which the general public have a vested interest and whose business is confined entirely to racing. It will be interesting to learn by what system of reasoning Mr. Master and his supporters hope to convince the Hongkong sporting public that the fact of a member having been convicted of a misdemeanour, whether rightly or wrongly, matters little, can possibly be in any way injurious to "the character, interests, welfare, good order, or credit of the Jockey Club". Where does this adle-headed reformer draw the line? Supposing Mr. Master were guilty of slander, or of publicly behaving in a manner suggestive of a cad rather than of a gentleman, would that be likely to injure the character, credit, etc., etc., of sport generally or of the annual races held in the Happy Valley in particular? If some member of the Club, of a sporting turn of mind and with thoroughly English ideas of fair-play, were under extreme provocation to take another person by the scruff of the neck in Queen's Road and treat him to a sound cow-hiding, and for this offence had to face the police magistrate and pay a \$25 fine—would that misdemeanour prejudice local racing or injure the character of the Jockey Club in its capacity as the executive body controlling our annual races? Did Mr. Master ever hear of the English Jockey Club, and if so, does he know anything of its constitution, history, traditions and unwritten laws? Very likely not, we should say; in fact, where this reformer's ignorance of sporting ethics begins and ends it would be difficult to say. The English Jockey Club is admittedly the most autocratic, most powerful, and most exclusive association in the world; but its province, like that of its Hongkong prototype, extends to racing alone. Over the outside doings of its members the Jockey Club exercises no authority whatever; nothing but purely racing matters is in its line of country, and only charges of malpractices on the turf are within its jurisdiction. And that is the commonsense view of any Jockey Club's functions. George IV was notoriously the most unmitigated scoundrel in England, his offences against public decency and decorum were legion, but it was not until after an interesting chapter of in-and-out running, culminating in the unsavoury business in which Sir Chifney the elder, was made a tool of, that the Jockey Club took the action which "warned off" Newmarket Heath "the first gentleman of Europe" Sir George Chetwynd and the Earl of Londesdale, both married men by the way, were members of the Jockey Club when they fought like blackguards in Hyde Park about Mrs. Langtry; but the Jockey Club did nothing, although the scandal was most disgraceful—the misdemeanour had nothing to do with the turf and was not the Club's business. But the Jockey Club very quickly took action when the *cause célèbre* between Lord Durham and Sir George Chetwynd was on the *tapis*; the Fullerton affair was a turf matter, and it was the right of the turf senate of have it settled by fire last night. The cause of the fire is unknown, there is great excitement in Tokio.

These Houses of Parliament, which were built of wood and were not intended to be permanent, were opened by the Emperor with much ceremony on the 20th of November last. There will probably be strong suspicion that the turbulent *soroshi* have caused the calamity.

INTERRUPTED.—Hogan: "Oh asked Fogarty for leave to marry wan' of his girls, on the way home to-night, an' he tould me tek me pick'"

Murphy: "We're in great luck." Hogan: "Indeed, I'm not. He tould me t'ek me pick an' sit out."

Editor (to applicant for position): "But what, can you do, young man? Haven't you some special talent or taste—some bent, as they say?"

Applicant (dubiously): "N-no, sir, not that I can think of—except that I am a little bow-legged."

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At the Union Church yesterday the Rev. G. Bedford, following in the footsteps of Bishop Burdon and the Rev. A. G. Goldsmith, strongly criticised compulsory labour in the port on Sunday for which, he said, he could find no justification whatever. He heartily endorsed all the Right Reverend Bishop had said on the subject in the Cathedral on Jubilee Day. A report of the reverend gentleman's address is unavoidably held over until to-morrow. The Church was very prettily decorated, and the service was special adapted to the jubilee of the colony.

Truth is not equally distributed over the whole surface of the tongue. There are three distinct regions or tracts, each of which has to perform its own, special office or function. The tip of the tongue is concerned mainly with pungent and acid tastes; the middle portion is sensitive chiefly to sweets or bitters, while the back or lower portion confines itself entirely to the flavours of rich, fatty substances. This subdivision of faculties in the tongue makes each piece of food undergo three separate examinations, which must be successively passed before it is admitted into full participation in the human economy.

The greatest known depth of the sea is in the South Atlantic Ocean, midway between the island of Tristan d'Acunha and the mouth of the Rio de la Plata. The bottom was there reached at a depth of 40,236 feet, or eight and three-quarter miles, exceeding by more than 17,000 feet the height of Mount Everest, the loftiest mountain in the world. In the North Atlantic Ocean, south of Newfoundland, soundings have been made to a depth of 4,580 fathoms, or 27,480 feet, while depths equalling 34,000 feet, or six and a half miles, are reported south of the Bermuda Islands. The average depth of the Pacific Ocean between Japan and California is a little over 2,000 fathoms; and between Chili and the Sandwich Islands, 2,100 fathoms; and between Chili and New Zealand, 1,500 fathoms. The average depth of all the oceans is from 2,000 to 2,500 fathoms.

At a meeting of the British Mercantile Marine Officers' Association held last Saturday evening it was announced amidst considerable enthusiasm that several gentlemen, prominent local members of the shipping profession, had accepted honorary memberships which had been tendered to them in accordance with the provisions of a special resolution which was carried unanimously at a largely attended meeting a week previously. It was also announced that a special meeting would be called at an early date to consider matters of importance including the Sunday Labour Question. A letter from the Secretary of the Australian Association was read in which it was stated that the pay of officers had been voluntarily raised as follows:—Chief Officers £12 to £15 and £16 per month; second officers £9 to £12, and third officers £8 to £10 per month.

We occasionally hear in the theatrical world of dramatic artists with musical attainments trying their luck on the operatic stage, but it is indeed very rarely that this order of things is reversed, and a noteworthy secession from opera to the drama has to be chronicled. Many of our tenders will yet remember with feelings of pleasure Miss Florence Seymour (Mrs. Erskine Scott), of the Mascotte Opera Company, a combination of talent whose success in this colony five years ago was simply phenomenal. Miss Seymour achieved a well deserved popularity with all classes of play-goers, adding to exceptional personal attractions, a pleasant if somewhat weak soprano voice and a charming manner. As an actress she was almost quite inexperienced, and gave no particular indications of a talent in that direction, but she possessed the quality of perseverance and frequently expressed to her friends, the determination to succeed if success were possible. Shortly after returning to Australia Miss Seymour abandoned opera and opera bouffe for the drama, and we are glad to learn that after five years of incessant study and hard work she has obtained a recognised position in the front rank of the profession. By latest advice we learn that Miss Seymour was playing lead in "Jim the Penman" at Adelaide with Harry St. Maur's company and winning the approbation both of the press and the public. Florence Seymour cherishes many pleasant reminiscences of the Far East, and hopes at no very far distant date to pay another visit with a high-class company to Hongkong, Shanghai, and the Japanese ports.

BLESSED is the peacemaker—sometimes. That however, was not the fate of Potts—not our only George, but Mr. Thomas Alfred Potts, aged 28, a medical student, who was ignominiously hauled up before the magistrate at the Southwark Police Station the other week charged with disorderly conduct at a coffee stall in the Blackfriars Road. The police, who prosecuted, stated that they found the defendant engaged in an angry altercation at the street coffee palace, and as he wouldn't "move on" when requested, they ran him in. One of the bobbies admitted that defendant had preferred a charge of using obscene language, but the inspector refused to take it. In his defence Mr. Potts rounded on the guardians of the peace to some tune. He stated that, so far from being disorderly, he actually prevented a row between two other men, and while trying to act as peacemaker, the constable came up and rudely ordered him to "get off." "Not until I have drunk my coffee" was his reply, and the next thing he knew was being rushed to the police station on a trumped-up charge of using obscene language. As two witnesses corroborated this defence, the magistrate, of course, acquitted the defendant, remarking that Mr. Potts would have been wiser had he gone away when requested by the constable. This bit of gratuitous advice was too much for Potts, who very naturally wanted to know if he had no redress for the indignity to which he had been subjected. The magistrate replied that he could sue the constable, a suggestion which was received with scornful contempt. Mr. Potts' last shot, as he left the dock, was a crusher. "It's worse than Balfe's 'Removable,'" said he, looking the beak straight in the face; "why the Royal Irish constabulary are not in it!" Evidently amidst tears of laughter.

**SUPREME COURT**  
IN CRIMINAL SESSIONS.  
January 26th.

(Before Sir James Russell, Chief Justice.)

THE CHARGE OF MURDER.

Liam A. Sile was charged with feloniously, wilfully, and with malice aforethought killing one U Hongon the 11th December last in this Colony. The Attorney-General (Mr. W. E. Goodman) prosecuted, and Mr. E. Robinson, instructed by Messrs. Denny and Moisop defended. The prisoner pleaded not guilty.

The following were the Jurors:—A. O'D. Groutin, A. F. Gomes, C. A. Tomes, T. Howard, E. T. Velch, A. Macdonach, and J. S. Moses. The Attorney-General said the prisoner was charged with the murder of U Hongon on the 11th December last. He would briefly relate the facts, and ask them to carefully consider the evidence, and thought he would be able to prove the charge against the prisoner. The facts of the case were that in Yes On Lane these was a house number five, in which the deceased

man lived. Opposite this house was another house, number eight, where the murder is said to have been perpetrated. On the 11th December four men armed with revolvers entered the house, number five, and there saw the wife of the deceased and asked her where her husband was. The question was asked by the prisoner, who had a revolver. The cork in the house made answer and said his husband was in the opposite house. The prisoner and the other men finding the man was sent into the other house, one of the men saying "We will kill him, if not to-day, then to-morrow." On getting to the opposite house three of the men went upstairs and the other remained on guard. The prisoner was at the top of the first stairs on a landing leading up to the second flight of stairs. It was at the bottom of those stairs that the deceased was found. Five shots were fired by the body. The first shot was fired by a man named Kau Tow, the second by Mow La Tuk, and afterwards three more were fired. It is not alleged that the prisoner fired a shot but he was one of the men who took part and met the wife of the deceased when she went to look for her husband. She was by the prisoner on the stairs, who said he would kill her if he came up. On reaching the street a number of other men were seen and they were no doubt assistants to prevent an alarm being given to the police. He would have to call their attention to another matter to show the connection between the prisoner and the deceased.

Mr. Wickling—Is there any precedent of such a thing being done here by a company in its infancy?

The Chairman—I don't think that anyone will have any objections to the leave of absence under the circumstances.

Mr. Wickling—I have no personal objection in putting the question. I merely ask if there is any precedent.

The Chairman—During the absence of Mr. Hooper no extra expense will be incurred in respect to the duties he performs.

Mr. Wickling—I also wish to say that I should be very sorry to see our Vice-Chairman withdraw, and I hope he will not. There is another point I wish to draw attention to. It appeared to me that the account of "charges" was very heavy for a company in its infancy. I was informed that the charges were for salaries, rishahs, and gas. I enquired of the Secretary, and he said he could not give further particulars. Perhaps the Directors would be good enough to state what the four items were made up of?

The Chairman—I have no books here to refer to, so am not in a position now to analyse the charges. There is gas, advertising, rent and salaries and other unavoidable expenses.

Low Kam, the widow of the deceased, gave evidence in support of the Attorney-General's statement.

Mr. Wickling—it occurred to me that \$16,000 was rather a large amount for such a young company.

The Chairman—I know of no other accounts at present, and I think it would have been well if questions of this kind had been put through the proper channel, say half an hour before the meeting.

Mr. Wickling—I gave a day's notice. I called on the Secretary and he refused to give me the particular.

The Chairman—in matters of this kind a letter should be sent to the Directors. It is not in the interests of the company that such matters should be discussed publicly. Every shareholder is quite entitled to ask questions. It is not the business of the Secretary to answer questions put to him casually and unofficially in his office or anywhere else. (Applause). If there are no further questions I propose that the accounts and report be adopted.

Mr. H. G. Hopkins—I have much pleasure in seconding the Chairman's proposal.

Carried unanimously.

Messrs. S. C. Michaelson and Lee Sing, who retired from the Board by rotation, were re-elected Directors upon the motion of Mr. Woodin seconded by Mr. W. Judd.

The Chairman—in presenting the report and accounts to you to-day there is nothing whatever for me to say which is not fully set forth in the report itself. The shareholders will recollect met a few months ago and approved a certain scheme in respect to treating the property and this is now being carried out, and satisfactory progress is being made by the contractors. It is unnecessary for me to say anything more for you are all aware of what is being done. I shall be very glad to answer any question which shareholders may think fit to ask.

There being no objections Mr. Eckiel proposed, and Mr. Vernon seconded, that the report and accounts as presented be adopted. Carried unanimously.

Upon the motion of Mr. da Roza, seconded by Mr. Rose, Messrs. J. J. Keswick and J. S. Morris were re-elected members of the Board of Directors.

Mr. N. J. Ede proposed and Mr. A. G. Morris seconded that Mr. Fullarton Henderson should be re-elected auditor for the current year. Carried unanimously.

With the announcement that dividend warrants would be issued, upon application, on and after to-morrow the proceedings terminated.

**THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY COMPANY, LIMITED.**

The third ordinary meeting of shareholders in the above named company was held at the City Hall at noon to-day for the purpose of receiving the report of the Directors together with the statement of the accounts of the company for the year ending the 31st December 1890. There were present:—Messrs. J. J. Keswick (Chairman), C. P. Chater, S. C. Michaelson, D. R. Sisson, Peon Pong and Lee Sing (Directors); Messrs. W. Judd, T. J. Rose, H. Wickling, A. Turner, J. Y. V. Vernon, J. S. Eckiel, J. F. C. Roza, H. Hopkins, S. S. Benjamin, E. L. Woodin, F. W. Cross, D. McCollum, C. W. Richards, R. T. Wright, W. R. McCallum, R. B. Allen, R. K. Leigh, G. Murray Bain, G. S. Coxon, C. S. Taylor, E. Solomon, W. Gaskell, A. Shelton Hooper (Secretary), and others.

The Chairman said—Gentlemen, since I addressed you a year ago, in presenting the accounts for the year 1889, the Colony has passed through a period of considerable depression in matters financial and commercial, it could hardly be expected that the Land Investment Co. would not, in some degree feel this general condition of things, but I hope the accounts now before you will be considered as satisfactory as could be expected. Out of deference to the wishes expressed by several shareholders the sources of revenue are more fully set forth in the present statement of accounts than in the previous one and I hope will be considered sufficiently full. I think it unnecessary for me to enter upon any details in respect to them, but I feel that I ought to give my assurance to the shareholders of the satisfactory character of their investments. The monies advanced on mortgage are all on first class properties carefully selected with the view to their permanent value; and they are in districts of the Colony unlikely at any time to be adversely affected by changes in municipal regulations or otherwise. As regards the purchases of property made, those already developed yield a satisfactory return and they, together with those still undeveloped, promise to be in due time a source of profit to the Company. Indeed I may say that a proposal has already been made to your Directors regarding one property which would have shown a handsome profit, but at a later date we hope to do better with it to the advantage of shareholders. Every property the Company owns stands in our books at its actual cost on the 31st December last, including interest and all charges appertaining to each. You will observe in the accounts that during the year a source of income, as yet moderate, but still giving hope of improvement, has by and by, has arisen in commissions, which yield \$3,819, and your Directors hope that in course of time the Company will earn sufficient last month for any quantity they could produce. An order for 15 head of prime Californian milk cows had been sent to America and he thought

I stated that your Directors had under considera-

tion the enlargement, if possible, of their sphere of operation, and fortunately an ordinance of the local legislature enabling companies to alter Memoranda of Association is enabling the company to seek these powers, and you will doubtless confirm your resolution passed unanimously at a former meeting in respect to this. I do not know that there is anything I can usefully add to these remarks, but I shall be glad to reply to any questions which shareholders may wish to address to me before I propose the adoption of the report and accounts.

Mr. Wickling—is it correct that the Secretary has been granted twelve months leave of absence on full pay? It seems to be an unusual proceeding considering the short service he has rendered to this young company.

The Chairman—Yes, it is quite correct. The Directors exercised their discretion in the matter.

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Mr. Master proposed and Mr. Rozario seconded that Mr. H. P. Wadman be elected auditor. Carried unanimously.

With a vote of thanks to the Chairman, the directors and the manager, which was carried by acclamation, the proceedings terminated.

weeks. Mr. Winstanley, of the Yokohama dairy, a man of great experience in his special line of business, had inspected the company's establishments at Pokfulam and expressed his astonishment at the unusually perfect condition of the place, from sanitary and other points of view. He told the speaker that there was nothing to beat it in Europe (applause). That was very gratifying to the directors and to Mr. da Silva the energetic manager. That the company's dairy was in such a satisfactory condition was a matter of public interest and deserved to be publicly commented on. If Dr. Cantlie were present he felt sure that he would bear him out in a statement to the effect that the milk from the diseased cow would permeate the milk of the whole herd if mixed with it, and that there was nothing like milk for taking up any atmospheric influences. The general management of the dairy was a matter of vital importance to consumers and he therefore appreciated the testimony of so competent a judge as Mr. Winstanley. The company's cattle had an abundance of fresh air and were exercised in fields every day. To the southwest there was nothing between the company's farm and the sea, so the cattle had an abundance of "good fresh air" in the hottest weather—a matter of considerable importance to the health of the cattle. Last year the staff was increased by the appointment of Mr. Walker who brought with him great experience of the management of dairy farms at home, and he, Mr. Walker, had recently become a shareholder. As Mr. Gaunt was about to go home, it would be necessary to appoint a successor to him as auditor. He begged to move the adoption of the report and accounts as presented.

Mr. Rosa seconded and it was carried.

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### CONCERT AT THE CLUB GERMANY.

Those of our fellow colonists who hail from the "Fatherland" not to be outdone in the celebration of the Jubilee "jamborees" threw open the doors of the ever hospitable Club Germania on Saturday night, to all the world and his wife. Our morning contemporary with *advertisements* worthy of a modern *VERDANT GREEN*, declared that the occasion was the celebration of the erection of a new flag-staff and the hoisting of Germany's Imperial flag. No bloodshed, however, eventuated and through the agency of peacemakers we believe that friendly relations once more exist between the *D.P.* and the *Teutons*. The Club was most tastefully decorated and reflected the utmost credit on the decoration committee. Almost every member of the Club was enrolled as a steward, and we feel sure that no one who once got his foot across their threshold on Saturday night could complain of any lack of attention or of the quality of the refreshments provided either in the musical or the liquid line. We have no desire to be captious but we think the invitation committee rather let their desire to be hospitable, even to a cosmopolitan degree, overcome their knowledge of the seating accommodation of their rooms, for as things were done, of guests crowded around and about the various entrances in the vain endeavour to get a glimpse of what was going on in the glittering halls within, in which decked out in all its gaudiness, sat the youth and beauty of Hongkong to which may also be added a fair leaven of those who are approaching the region of life's "scar and yellow leaf". Proceedings were to have commenced punctually at 9.15 but were delayed a trifle pending the arrival of His Excellency the Governor, who it eventually turned out, was unfortunately unable to attend owing to indisposition. General Warrants would be issued, upon application, on and after to-morrow, the 27th instant.

That concluded the business of the ordinary meeting which was followed by an

EXTRAORDINARY MEETING

convened for the purpose of confirming the following resolution which was passed at an Extraordinary General Meeting of shareholders held at the City Hall on Thursday the 8th January, instant, viz.—"That in pursuance of the Companies' (Memorandum of Association) Ordinance,

# THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH, MONDAY, JANUARY 26, 1891.

## To-day's Advertisements.

GARRISON THEATRE,  
NORTH BARRACKS.  
THE "MILITARY MUMMERS" will give a DRAMATIC PERFORMANCE, THIS EVENING, the 26th January, 1891, consisting of Tom Taylor's comedians, "NINE POINTS OF THE LAW" ENLIVENED BY THE LAUGHABLE FARCE, "COOL AS A CUCUMBER."

Doors open at 8.30, commences at 9 p.m.

PRICES OF ADMISSION.

Reserved Seats.....\$1.00  
Second Seats.....50  
Back Seats.....20

Tickets to be obtained from St. Sgt. ADAMS, Commissariat Buildings, Hongkong, 26th January, 1891. [173]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR PORT DARWIN, QUEENSLAND PORTS, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE. THE Company's Steamship.

"CHINGTU." A. Hunt, Commander, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 31st inst., at 4 p.m.

The attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by this Steamer. First Class Saloon and Cabins are situated forward of the Engines. Second Class Passengers are Berthed in the Poop. A Refrigerating Chamber ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions during the entire voyage. A duly qualified Surgeon is carried.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 26th January, 1891. [179]

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR NAGASAKI, KOBE, & YOKOHAMA. THE Steamship.

"HARROW," will be despatched on or about the 31st inst.

For Freight or Passage, apply to ADAMSON, BELL & Co., Agents.

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STEAM TO YOKOHAMA, VIA NAGASAKI AND KOBE. (Passing through the INLAND SEA.)

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship.

"ANCONA." Captain W. D. Middle, will leave for the above places, on FRIDAY, the 6th February, at NOON.

E. L. WOODIN, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 26th January, 1891. [189]

STEAM TO SHANGHAI. THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship.

"BENGAL." Captain W. Barratt, will leave for the above place about 24 hours after his arrival here with the outward English mails.

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STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, ADEN, ISMAILIA, PORT SAID, MALTA, GIBRALTAR, MARSEILLES, BRINDISI, TRIESTE, VENICE, PLYMOUTH, AND LONDON;

ALSO, BOMBAY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA AND AUSTRALIA.

N.B.—CARGO CAN BE TAKEN ON THROUGH HILLS OF LADING FOR BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF PORTS, MARSILLIES, TRIESTE, HAMBURG, NEW YORK AND BOSTON.

SPECIE ONLY LANDED AT PLYMOUTH.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship "GANGES," Captain T. J. Alderton, with Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for LONDON, via BOMBAY and SUEZ CANAL, on THURSDAY, the 5th February, at NOON.

Cargo will be received on board until 4 P.M., Parcels and Specie (Gold) at the Office until 4 P.M., on the day before sailing.

Silk and Valuables for Europe will be transhipped at Colombo; General Cargo for London will be conveyed via Bombay without transhipment, arriving one week later than by the ordinary direct route via Colombo.

Tea will be sent either via Bombay or Colombo, according to arrangement.

For further particulars regarding FREIGHT and PASSAGE apply to the PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Office, Hongkong.

The Contents and Value of Packages are required to be declared prior to shipment.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Black Bills of Lading.

This Steamer takes Cargo and Passengers for Marseilles.

E. L. WOODIN, Superintendent.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office, Hongkong, 26th January, 1891. [189]

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

THE monthly competition for the FAKI CHALLENGE CUP presented by Dr. NOULE will take place, on SATURDAY next, the 31st instant, at 3.30 P.M. Distances, 200 and 300 yards, seven shots at each. Position: standing at 200 yards, sitting or kneeling at 300 yards. Entrance fee 50 cents.

A Launch will leave the P. & O. Pier at 3 P.M. to convey competitors.

C. VIVIAN LADDIS, Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 26th January, 1891. [185]

LABUK PLANTING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that on and after the 20th inst., payment of the 5th and FINAL CALL of \$1 per Share must be made to the Undersigned together with Interest at the rate of 12 1/2% per annum from the 15th inst.

TURNER & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 16th January, 1891. [188]

CATHAY CHAPTER,

No. 1, 165.

A REGULAR CONVOCATION of the above Chapter, will be held in FARMER'S HALL, Zetland Street, on THURSDAY, the 26th inst., at 8.30 for 9 P.M. precisely.

Hongkong, 26th January, 1891. [189]

## To-day's Advertisements.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.

CHEMISTS BY APPOINTMENT.

THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

(Established A.D. 1841).

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DRUGGISTS

ANALYTICAL,

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CHEMISTS.

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WINE and SPIRIT MERCHANTS,

CIGAR IMPORTERS, &c., &c.

Manufacturers of

AERATED WATERS

By Steam Machinery.

This being THE FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY of our Firm, and THE JUBILEE YEAR of the Colony,

THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY having been Established A.D. 1841, we take the opportunity of thanking our friends for their support during the last 50 years, and tender them the assurance of our best services in the future as in the past.

We shall continue to import DRUGS, CHEMICALS, and GOODS of every kind of the BEST QUALITY ONLY as heretofore, at prices that will be found to compare favourably with local rates, and in many instances with those ruling at home.

BRANCH ESTABLISHMENTS.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

THE SHANGHAI PHARMACY, SHANGHAI, 24, Nankin Road.

BOTICA INDIA, MANILA, Escuta, 14.

THE CANTON DISPENSARY, CANTON, Canal Road.

THE DISPENSARY, FOOCHEW.

THE DISPENSARY, HANKOW.

THE DISPENSARY, TIENSIN.

LONDON OFFICE, 105, Fenchurch Street, E.C.

THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY,

21st January, 1891. [188]

UNION LINE.

FOR KOBE AND YOKOHAMA. THE Steamship

"WILLIAM BRANFOOT,"

Captain F. Brown, will be despatched for the above port THURSDAY, the 29th instant, at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 26th January, 1891. [185]

UNION LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM LONDON, ANTWERP, HAMBURG, AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship

"ALDERLEY,"

Captain Davis, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Goods are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the undersigned for countersignature and to take the immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

The steamer is berthed at Kowloon Piers and Goods impeding her discharge will be at once landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense and no Fire Insurance will be effected.

All claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 31st instant, or they will not be recognized.

RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 23rd January, 1891. [180]

UNION LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM MIDDLESBRO, LONDON PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship

"WILLIAM BRANFOOT,"

Captain F. Brown, having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Goods are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for Countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

The Steamer is berthed at Kowloon Piers and Goods impeding her discharge will be at once

landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense and no Fire Insurance will be effected.

All claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 31st instant, or they will not be recognized.

RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 22nd January, 1891. [170]

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

INFORMATION has been received from the Military Authorities that ARTILLERY PRACTICE will take place from the Batteries at Stone Cutters' Island, from the 7th instant to 20th February next, both days inclusive, between the hours of 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. daily.

The line of fire will be in a South-Western direction from the Batteries.

All Ships, Junks, and other Vessels are cautioned to keep clear of the range.

By Command,

F. FLEMING, Colonial Secretary.

Hongkong, 24th January, 1891. [186]

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

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Hongkong, 24th January, 1891. [186]

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DOUGLAS STEAM-SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOOCHOW THE Company's Steamship

"HAITAN,"

Captain Ashton, will be despatched for the above Ports on THURSDAY, the 29th inst., at DAYLIGHT.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAF & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, 26th January, 1891. [189]

A. G. GORDON & COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Second Ordinary MEETING of

SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Hongkong Hotel on

SATURDAY, the 7th February next, at 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers and Statement of Accounts to the 31st December 1890.

The TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from the 27th January to 7th February next, both days inclusive.

By Order,

A. G. GORDON, General Manager.

Hongkong, 26th January, 1891. [183]

HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Tenth Ordinary MEETING of